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Examiner: John D Lee

Applicants: Blauvelt et al

For: Surface-mounted photodetector for an
optical waveguide

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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04/18/2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 01/19/2006, please amend the above named application as set forth hereinbelow. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amend, are hereby respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

The application as originally filed included 55 claims, 3 of which were independent claims. The application as amended herein includes 12 claims, 5 of which are independent claims. Accordingly, the fee for 2 additional independent claims is included herewith.